

Removal Sale

We Must Vacate by the
12th of January

All Shoes at Cost
Except
Patrician Shoes
Seymour Sycle,
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Normal School Honor Students



MISS MINNIE BLANTON,
of Farmville,
first honor valedictorian of January
graduating class.

MISS BLANCHE NIDERMAIER,
of Poplar Hill,
second honor valedictorian of January
graduating class.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
STATE NORMAL SCHOOL, FARMVILLE, VA., December 26.—At the last faculty meeting the honor students of the January graduating class were selected. The determination of these honors is based upon three things—the pupil's academic record, her teaching power, and her personality. The place of valedictorian, the first honor,

was won by Miss Minnie Blanton, daughter of W. T. Blanton, Mayor of Farmville. The place of salutatorian, the second honor, fell to Miss Blanche Nidermaier, of Poplar Hill, Giles county. These young ladies enjoy the unique distinction of being the honor students of the last class that will ever graduate at the State Normal School in midwinter.

EXPLAINS VISIT TO POLICE COURT

President Will Not Inaugurate
Policy of Expulsion of Dis-
orderly Students.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA., December 26.—In reply to a recent article in a local paper, which stated that the authorities at the university "have determined to inaugurate a policy of immediate expulsion of all students who hereafter figure in the Police Court as offenders against the law. On the contrary, they will continue to treat any such case that may unhappily occur individually, and to accept as absolutely final the statements of all students in all matters pertaining to their conduct. The character of the students at the university and long experience justify this method of procedure.

"I deeply regret the recent disorders, and they will be looked into in the interests of justice and good order. "I have faith in the fairness and justice of the civil government of the city of Charlottesville, but I believe the recent incidents were sporadic and abnormal in their nature, and I have not lost one whit of faith in the essential dignity and fitness of character of the young men here.

"Nowhere in the student world of America is there a place where a young man's word is his bond more completely than here, and we shall, as I have said, forever continue to take that word, under all the circumstances, as the final word in any matter.

"My visit to the Police Court was as much for the purpose of ridding the situation of rumors and exaggerations as for getting the simple truth, and above all, as president of the university, and in its interests, and in the interests of its students to know the facts there recorded as matters of public record."

SHE SHOWED THEM HOW.

Disastrous Demonstration of Musket as
Noise-Maker.

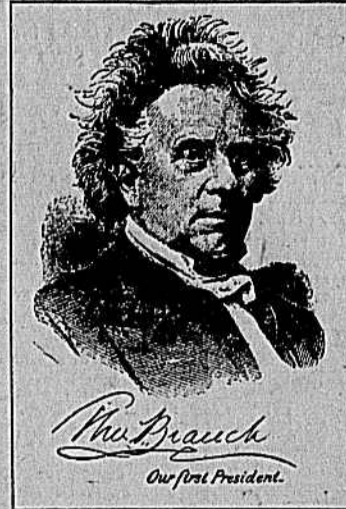
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
HAMPTON, VA., December 26.—Declaring to her six small grandchildren that when she was a child seventy years ago, the noise was made on Christmas with the musket, Mary Stewart, seventy-four years old, a colored woman living in Scottsville, took an old musket from the wall to give a demonstration. Hardly had she gotten the rusty gun down before it exploded. Her left hand was almost torn to pieces, while her right hand was painfully lacerated by the explosion. The physicians found it necessary to amputate the thumb and index fingers and to take the ends of the others up to the second joint of the left hand. Owing to the advanced age of the woman the doctors believe that she will die from the shock.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
FREDERICKSBURG, VA., December 26.—Ralph R. Buffington and Mrs. Mary E. Norris, both of this city, were married here last night at the home of the bride, the Rev. Dr. R. J. McBryde officiating.

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GEO. H. KEESEE, Asst. Cashier

G. JETER JONES, Manager Savings Department

BLOOD IS SHED IN CHRISTMAS FRAY

Father and Son Wounded in Bat-
tle With Their Near
Relatives.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
MARTINSVILLE, VA., December 26.—Tad Odle and his son, Frank Odle, were shot in a difficulty with Charley Odle, at the latter's home, near Ridgeway, this county, yesterday afternoon. The trouble seems to have been started by several of the Odles getting in a scuffle, which wound up in a fight. Charley Odle attempted to quell the riot, and in so doing became involved in a row with his cousin, Tad Odle, and his son. Tad Odle was shot in the shoulder, and is seriously, though probably not fatally hurt. Frank Odle was shot in the foot, and is not seriously hurt. The wounded men were attended by Dr. Mason, of Ridgeway. Liqueur was at the bottom of the trouble. No arrests have been made.

Invitations Are Out.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
HAMPTON, VA., December 26.—Mr. and Mrs. Henry Lane Schmeiz have sent out invitations to the marriage of their niece, Miss Mary McMinamen and Philip, Lieutenant William Shepherd, Third Field Artillery, U. S. Army. The marriage will take place in "Innisfall," the pretty McMinamen home, on the banks of the Potomac river, on January 14th, at 3 o'clock. The Rev. Father Wilson, of Old Point, will officiate at the marriage. Miss Margaret Schmeiz will attend Miss McMinamen as maid of honor, and the bridesmaids will be Miss Margaret Kimberly, of Old Point; Miss Rose Parramore, of Hampton Roads, and Miss Victoria, of Washington. First Lieutenant Howell Huntney, of Fort Meyer, will be the best man, and Lieutenant Sherman Miles, son of General Nelson A. Miles, and Mr. John J. McMinamen will be the groomsmen. Miss McMinamen is the first daughter of the late John McMinamen, founder of the McMinamen crab-packing house, and is accounted one of the prettiest and best known of the young society women on the Virginia Peninsula. She is highly accomplished. Lieutenant Shepherd, formerly of Norfolk, is now stationed at Fort Meyer, to which place he will take his bride on the honeymoon of a month in the North. Mrs. Shepherd, the mother of the groom-to-be, resides in Washington. Schmeiz and Mr. G. A. Schmeiz, the bankers of Hampton and Newport News, are uncles of Miss McMinamen.

Weatherford—Wright.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
KEYSVILLE, VA., December 26.—A marriage took place last night at 8 o'clock at the residence of Mrs. Ida Carey, on Jefferson Street, when Miss Annie May Weatherford became the bride of Mr. R. Owen Wright, of St. Louis. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Mr. Conrad, of the Methodist Church.

Ketchum—Rollins.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
HAMPTON, VA., December 26.—The marriage of Miss Rhoda Rollins, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Rollins, of New York, to Alfred Ketchum, of Newport News, will be celebrated in the home of the bride-elect in Pequoton, tomorrow.

Christmas Accident.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
WYTHEVILLE, VA., December 26.—Ivon Owens, son of C. D. Owens, met with a severe accident last night about 10 o'clock, having the thumb and three fingers of his right hand blown off by the premature explosion of a firecracker.

News of Petersburg

Times-Dispatch Bureau,
10 West Sycamore Street,
Petersburg, Va., December 26.

Dr. Robert D. Buchanan, a well-known young optician of Roanoke, who has been visiting his father, Mr. John McS. Buchanan, in this city, was taken suddenly ill with appendicitis yesterday afternoon, and was taken to the Petersburg Hospital, where an operation was immediately performed. His condition to-day is reported to be serious on account of other complications that have arisen. Dr. Buchanan has many relatives and friends in this city who earnestly hope for his early restoration.

Painful Accident.

Miss Pearl Cameron, youngest daughter of the late William E. Cameron, met with painful injuries at her home in Blandford last evening while engaged in celebrating Christmas. She was at the time shooting off some Roman candles, when the ball blazing from one of them shot back through the rear end of the candle and struck her in the left eye. The eye was destroyed, her face burned, and the young lady sustained a severe physical shock. The eye was removed this afternoon by Drs. Wilcox and Hoy, the latter of whom had previously attended her. The accident is greatly regretted by the many friends of Miss Cameron.

Death of a Petersburg Woman.

Mrs. Sarah J. Edmonds, widow of Thomas E. Edmonds, of this city, died yesterday at the home of her son-in-law, Mr. L. L. Crowder, in Crowder, where she was visiting. The body will be brought to Petersburg for burial in Blandford Cemetery. Mrs. Edmonds is survived by two daughters and one son—Mrs. L. L. Crowder, of Crowder, and Mrs. Fred Cole and Edgar Edmonds, of this city.

Appomattox Commandery, No. 6,

Knights Templars, assembled in their asylum on Christmas Day promptly at noon, and as is the annual custom, drank a sentiment to the Most Eminent Grand Master, Henry Warren Zug, with the response thereto. A similar observance, with the same sentiments, was held throughout the world wherever there is a Knight Templar commandery, standard time being so calculated as to have the meeting everywhere at the same hour. So when the commanderies in New York and San Francisco, in Alaska and Mexico, in the Hawaiian Islands, and in the Far East, and in the Philippines were proposing and drinking the sentiments to the Most Eminent Grand Master, Henry Warren Zug, with the response thereto. The meeting here yesterday was a very delightful one, and brief talks were made by several of the brothers and brothers. When it was noon here yesterday it was 1 o'clock this morning in the Philippines.

General News.

The meets of the Riverside Hunt Club arranged for Christmas and to-day were not pulled off on account of the snow and bad condition of the ground.

The beautiful music rendered in the churches on Christmas Day will be repeated to-morrow. In some of the churches the program is elaborate. Leslie Jones, son of Edward Jones, had one of his hands badly lacerated yesterday while shooting off fireworks in the western part of the city. The injury was caused by the premature explosion of a firecracker in his hand. Mr. Samuel M. Pearce, for years em-

IN JAIL PENDING AN INVESTIGATION

Early Walker Shoots and Kills
Walker Crowder Near
Raleigh.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

RALEIGH, N. C., December 26.—What is claimed to have been an accidental killing occurred to-day, eight miles from Raleigh, when a load of squirrel shot from a gun in the hands of Early Walker crashed at close range into the abdomen of Walker Crowder, inflicting a wound from which the victim bled to death in a few minutes. Walker was committed to the county jail here pending an investigation. He claims that he and Crowder were friends, and that he was passing out at the front door with the gun in his hand when the hammer of the old percussion lock struck the door facing, discharging the load so that it hit Crowder, who was standing just outside the door waiting for him to pass out.

Black Cotton Petticoats That Sold at \$1.50, for \$1.00

..A Monday Sale.. Of Great Importance

Dress Goods, Suits, Coats, Furs and
Underwear. Now these are lots that we are discontinuing and have cut the price deep to make a quick clearance. Also fancy and useful articles for New Year's gifts at prices that are exceptional.

Cut Prices on Stylish Suits.

Ladies' odd and end lot of Suits, in red, blue or black, that sold from \$15.00 to \$18.00, \$15.00 Suits, with long coat, satin lined and wide fold, on skirt, for..... \$19.00
\$35.00 Suits, in stylish blue or brown mixtures..... \$19.00

Sweaters, Leggings and Togues.

Exceptional values for Monday's sale.
Children's White Sweaters 98c
for..... \$1.00
Misses' White and Red Sweaters, from \$1.50 to \$2.00, \$1.50
Ladies' Sweaters, in white, red or white with colored border, \$5.98
Children's Knee or Drawer Leggings for..... 50c
Children's White or Colored Togues for 25c and..... 50c

Holiday Blankets.

We only mention one here as an index to several great values in the department:
California Wool Blankets, 11-4 size, weight 4 1/2 lbs., \$3.98
\$5.00 value.....

Doll Department

to be cleared out. Not a single one that is not reduced. They cannot last long at these prices:
25c Dolls..... 15c
75c Dolls..... 35c
\$3.50 Dolls..... \$1.00

Leather Goods Sale.

Priced attractively just for New Year gifts.
New line Christmas Bags, in all shapes and sizes, \$3.08, \$2.08, 98c
\$1.08 and.....

Children's 5c
White & Colored
Handkerchiefs,
3c

A High-Quality Gift

At a Very Low Price.

Several new lots of Dress Goods that will be put on sale Monday at half of their real worth.
Gray Mixtures, 56 inches wide, in several patterns, \$1.00 quality..... 50c
Chevron Stripes and Herringbone Weaves, 45 inches wide, blue and green; \$1.00 value, for..... 69c

Ladies' New, Stylish Coats.

Prices cut in half in Ladies' Long Coats, in the following colors: Tan, red, brown and black; \$15.00 values..... \$7.98
Ladies' Long Coats, in browns, blacks and tans; \$3.00 value, for..... \$5.00

New Furs.

Throw Scarfs, Shawl Effects and large assortment of Muffs.

Ladies' Long Coats, in browns, blacks and tans; \$3.00 value, for..... \$5.00

Very Large Muff and Scarf to match, best quality river mink fur, for..... \$10.00

Large Rug Muff of Isabella or Sable Fox, satin lined; \$14.98 value, for..... \$14.98

Ladies' Fur Sets of Sable Fur or dyed Squirrel; worth \$35, special price, set..... \$25.00

Monday Glove Sale.

VALUES SIMPLY PHENOMENAL.
All Nicely Boxed.
Short Kid Gloves, \$1.50, \$1.25 and 50c.
Long Kid Gloves, \$3.50 and \$4.00 values, \$1.08 and \$2.08.
Faber's Gloves, silk lined, 50c and 25c.

Outing Cloth

Light grounds, stripes; good 10c value, for 8 1/2c.

Children's Coats

at such special prices that you would not think of making now.

Children's White Bearskin Coats for..... \$1.98

Children's Red, Navy or Light Blue Cloth Coats for..... \$2.50

Children's Fine Quality Kersey Coats, new sleeve, trimmed collar and sleeve, for..... \$4.98

Sale of Handkerchiefs

The most appropriate New Year gifts; startling prices for Monday.

Some special lots just received at sacrifice prices: Sherry Lawn, Barred Swiss, as well as Plain and Embroidered Linen.

Children's Handkerchiefs, white and colored, 3c each up to 15c box.

Swiss Handkerchiefs, hemstitched, embroidered and hemmed, 6c, 10c, 12 1/2c and 25c.

Linen Handkerchiefs, hemstitched, all linen, 5c, 10c, 12 1/2c, 17c, 25c.

Men's Handkerchiefs, hemstitched, all linen, 7c, 10c, 12 1/2c and 25c.

Apron Gingham

One case of short lengths, ranging in lengths from 5 to 10 yards; 8 1/2c value, 5 1/2c.

Ladies' Hose

Plain black, black with white foot; an exceptional lot, qualities that sold at 10c, for 12 1/2c.

Wool Eiderdown

26 inches wide, pink and blue; 50c value, for 39c.

Long Kimonos

Made of heavy quality Flannel-ette, large patterns, all colors; \$2.00 value, \$1.00.

Children's Wool Gloves

In all sizes and colors; a bargain, 25c.

Ladies' Underwear

Bleached Vests and Pants, all sizes, fleece lined; special, 25c.

Ladies' & Misses'
Wool Underwear
That Sold Up
to 75c, for
39c

Faulkner & Warriner Co.
BROAD AND FIRST STREETS,
Agents for Standard Patterns.

Dress Goods Special,
36-in. Wide, Chev-
ron Stripes, Monday
29c



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Dunlop Flour

Is the original Pure Food Flour.
It is the clean white heart of
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